Public Meeting Notice and Public Notice on an Application for Participation in Tier I of Green Tier

Pursuant to Section 299.83, Wis. Stats., the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) hereby gives notice that DNR has received an application for participation in Tier I of Green Tier from American Transmission Company (ATC), N19 W23993 Ridgeview Pkwy N, Waukesha, WI 53187, a provider of linear infrastructure for the transmission of electricity. ATC's application focuses on improving their electric transmission line project implementation. Through their environmental management system ATC would build environmental sensitivity, environmental protection and environmental restoration into both the design and construction of transmission lines.

Additional information available

Specific information on the Green Tier program and on this application for Tier I of Green Tier can be accessed via the Internet at: http://dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/cea/environmental/index.htm

Or by contacting:

Tom Eggert, Department of Natural Resources 101 S.Webster, PO Box 7921 CO/7, Madison, WI 53707 <u>Thomas.eggert@dnr.state.wi.us</u> (ph) 608/267-2761 (fax)608/267-9305

Reasonable requests for the information in an alternate format will be provided to qualified individuals with disabilities.

Notice of Public Informational Meeting

Notice is hereby given that DNR will conduct a public informational meeting on ATCs application for Green Tier. Please note that the meeting will focus on ATC's participation in Green Tier. The meeting will be held:

Tuesday, March 15, at 4:00 p.m. State Capitol Building, room 201 SE Madison, WI

Opportunity for public to comment or request a public meeting

DNR will accept written comments from the public regarding the application for 30 days following the date of publication of this notice. Comments may be submitted to Tom Eggert (see above).

Also within the 30-day comment period, individuals may request an additional public informational meeting concerning this application by submitting a written request to Tom Eggert (see above). If DNR determines there is significant interest in this application, DNR will hold another public informational meeting.

How DNR will make final decisions

For the Secretary:

DNR will determine whether the applicant has satisfied all of the eligibility requirements in sec. 299.83(3), Wis. Stats. If all eligibility requirements are met, DNR will approve this application unless doing so is not in the best interest of the Green Tier program. A decision by DNR to approve or deny an application for Tier I of Green Tier is not subject to review under state laws governing contested case hearings.

·		
/s/ Mark McDermid	_02-28-2005	

Mark McDermid, Director